

## WITTE IN AUTO BREAKDOWN.

RUSSIAN ENVOY'S SUNDAY TRIP SPOILED BY LOOSE TIRE.

Stranded on Lonely Road for a Hour and a Half—Some of the Attaches Take Trip to the Isles of Shoals—Land in Maine and Get No Wine With Dinner.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Aug. 20.—This has been a churchless Sabbath with the officials of the peace conference. In the morning the Russians were awaiting the return of Baron Rosen from Oyster Bay. He arrived at 12:30 o'clock, too late for any churching. The Japanese kept to their quarters, except a few who went on the Mayflower's excursion to the Isle of Shoals. Sato attended this with four underlings of the Japanese party. The Russians were represented by Pokotiloff and four others. Gov. McLean was in the party.

The four plenipotentiaries moved in a mysterious manner all day. At half past 2 Baron Rosen slipped away for Magnolia. A half hour later Mr. Witte, with Mr. Willenkin, boarded an automobile for a destination unknown. He took his suit case along and rumors flew thick. When Takahira slipped down the road on foot and alone and Komura took a car to the hotel, it was reported that there was a secret meeting of the envoys, that they were all going down to Oyster Bay, that several things were afoot. Witte's suit case became an international episode.

In an hour Takahira was back from his walk. He had simply been down to the trolley road for a constitutional and reported that the going was very good.

At 8 o'clock Witte and Willenkin returned in time for a late dinner with the Russian embassy. The international suit case was with them. Komura also returned, and after a time rumors ceased to fly.

Mr. Witte was just out for a little pleasure trip, he explained on his return. At York Beach his auto cast its off fore tire. The chauffeur, leaving his load of statesmen stranded on a lonely roadway, walked half a mile to a telephone and sent word to the hotel. A relief expedition was sent with a spare tire. Mr. Witte was delayed an hour and a half by the accident.

TRIP TO THE ISLES OF SHOALS.

The Isles of Shoals were notified by wire that they were likely to be visited by the envoys in the course of the day, and Star Island, N. H., and Appledore Island, Me., were in a state of expectancy. A little imaginary line drawn through the Atlantic makes all the difference in the world between Appledore and Star. For the latter is in New Hampshire, where sinful rum may be had on week days and Sundays, and Appledore is in Maine, and is the driest island that tops the backwaters members of the conference made a tour to the Isles of Shoals yesterday expecting to find the envoys there. They passed right by wet and hospitable Star and landed all unconscious on dry Appledore. Lunching at the hotel, members of the party asked for claret.

"We don't sell the stuff," said the waitress, lifting a Maine prohibition sign.

"That gentleman over there seems to have some," said one of the guests, pointing to an elderly man, who sat pouring a deep red liquid into a glass.

"He brings it along," said the waitress. "He takes it to his stomach's sake."

The Mayflower did not make a landing. She ran in close shore and anchored, while Gov. McLean lectured on the features of the island to a group of people at the hotel.

There were three Japanese correspondents over to observe and embody into essays. When the three Japanese came out on the piazza the summer people said:

"There they are!" and applauded loudly. The dean of the Japanese correspondents, supposing that it was a glad hand American tribute, removed his derby hat from the top of his ears and made a bow, whereupon the dean of the American correspondents, supposing that it was a glad hand American salute, removed his derby hat from the top of his ears and made a bow.

The attaches of the rival legations talked most pleasantly of things a million miles from war and peace, using English as a common ground. Luncheon was served on board.

LIN LEARNING ENGLISH.

Whenever Lin, Pokotiloff's Manchurian servant, appears in the lobbies, the negro bellboys show their ivories and Lin laughs a little Chinese laugh. The bellboy is a great show to Lin and Lin is a whole circus to the bellboys. Just at present three of the bellboys have him in a corner of the piazza teaching him English. Three guests upstairs are waiting for lowwater and paper and mail, while the head bellboy holds up plates and coins and fingers for Lin to name them.

Lin seems to have some change in the clothes as the matter. Today he is in an overcoat of plum-colored silk with a maroon jacket and a rose colored brazelet.

The gallant Lieutenant-Commander Takahira is standing near by, with his arms over the shoulders of two little hotel girls, ages 9 and 10.

He has just given them two Japanese figures representing dogs, explaining that every baby in Japan gets just such a little dog when he is born, and here are three, a little late.

PRESIDENT HARPER BETTER.

Gains in Weight and Expects to Finish the Term.

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—President William R. Harper of the University of Chicago declares that his improvement continues steadily.

"I feel better and I am sure that I am stronger than at any time since the operation was performed last February," he said yesterday. "I am gaining in weight daily and expect to carry on my administrative work for the remainder of the term."

HURT BY FALL AFTER ALL.

Boy Dropped from Top Floor to Street—Fell It Only an Hour Later.

Eleven-year-old Joe Ripp leaned too far out of a window in his home on the top floor of 213 First avenue and fell to the pavement yesterday. He landed in a sitting posture, and was rubbing his hip, when his father, who had rapidly followed, via the stairway, saw him.

"I ain't hurt, pa," insisted the boy, when his father wanted to send for an ambulance. Dr. Caldwell of Bellevue was summoned, however, but he couldn't find anything the matter with Joe.

An hour later the boy said his stomach ached, so they called the ambulance again and sent him to the hospital.

China Raises Money for Railway Building.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Aug. 21.—A despatch to the Morning Post from Shanghai says: "A despatch from Peking reports that China has raised a loan of 12,000,000 francs in Belgium for the Suban Railway."

Odell to Be Here To-day.

Chairman Odell will arrive in this city to-day.

## FOUR SHOT IN CHINATOWN.

FIRING IN ANOTHER STREET HAD DECEIVED THE POLICE.

While They Were Around the Corner a Battle in a Pell Street Room Left Four Men Wounded—All of the Hui Family, but They Swear They Never Heard of a Tong

Six pistol shots fired from the roof of 15 Mott street about 9 o'clock last night formed the overture to Chinatown's regular Sunday night entertainment. The six shots meant nothing. They simply drew the police to Mott street and left Pell street free. Within a few minutes four Chinamen were shot on the third floor of 15 Pell street. Two were seriously, and two slightly hurt.

The streets of Chinatown were packed when the firing began in Mott street. In front of the On Leong Tong's headquarters, at 14 Mott street, where old Tom Lee lives, the sidewalk was alive with chattering men who appeared to make themselves as conspicuous as possible. Sightseers were thick, dozens of women among them, walking along the street or drinking tea in the restaurants.

Two policemen were in front of the On Leong Tong house when the shots were fired. They ran across the street and rushed up the stairs of 15 to the roof. There wasn't a Chinaman in sight and the only sign of the pistol firing was the blue smoke. Roundsmen Costigan, Eggers's head man in Chinatown, was in the door of the Chinese chest of drawers at 15 Pell street, when he heard the shots. He ran to Mott street with Detective Seaman and Murray, and after them came every policeman stationed in Chinatown.

They searched 15 Mott street and the adjoining houses from cellar to garret and all they found was some dozens of blank faced Chinamen who knew nothing and had heard nothing. On Leong Tong's head man, however, he had had confidence in her ability to do so. He said yesterday that she was very weak after the fever left her and that her knees and ankles gave way several times when she attempted to walk. This circumstance, in his opinion, made her afraid to trust herself to walk without support.

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They found Mr. Roth standing under a tree with a wound in his forehead where he had been hit with some blunt weapon. He was carried into the Curleys' home and the highwaymen had also taken his watch and chain but dropped them upon the approach of the Curleys and Culloms. Roth was taken to the hospital, where he is the seventh holdup in the last month.

CHARRED BODY ON HAY BARGE.

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The charred body of a man was found yesterday morning in the ruins of the hay barge William H. Vanderbilt of the Starin Transportation line, which was burned at the foot of West Thirtieth street Saturday night. It was sent to the Morgue, where it was later identified as that of James J. Hunter of 142 North Eleventh street, Brooklyn.

The police of the West Thirtieth street station learned that Hunter was an uncle of George Newton, captain of the barge, and he went to spend the night with him. They searched the river in the neighborhood for the body of Newton, who was seen to jump into the water with his clothing on fire.

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## MIRACLE OR CONFIDENCE?

Miss Kelly Thinks Away Her Crutches After Wading in Sea on Feast Day.

The relatives and many of the friends of Miss Josephine Kelly, the nineteen-year-old daughter of John J. Kelly, an insurance broker, who lives at 307 Degraw street, Brooklyn, believe that she owes a sudden cure of lameness to going into the waters of the ocean on the day of the feast of the Assumption. "Her faith made her whole," they say, and prove the assertion substantially as follows:

A rather frail girl, she was taken ill with typhoid fever last March and when the fever, after fifteen weeks, left her she was unable to walk without the aid of crutches. Her physicians and relatives were at first doubtful of her recovery, but she was strong enough to throw away the crutches, but eight weeks elapsed without the slightest apparent improvement.

The Feast of the Assumption was last Tuesday. As the day drew nigh many of Miss Kelly's friends, who also are members of St. Agnes Church, at Sackett and Hoyt streets, talked to her of the wonderful curative properties of the waters of the ocean on the day of the feast of the Assumption. "Her faith made her whole," they say, and prove the assertion substantially as follows:

Accompanied by her father, sister and three brothers, she went to Coney Island on Tuesday afternoon, took off her shoes and stockings and waded in the surf about the chest of drawers at 15 Pell street, when he heard the shots. He ran to Mott street with Detective Seaman and Murray, and after them came every policeman stationed in Chinatown.

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CUBA DEFENDS FISCAL POLICY.

MINISTER DENIES CHARGES OF EXTRAVAGANT EXPENDITURE.

Declares That Appropriation to Pay Soldiers' Claims Halted Speculators, Aids the Claimant and Keeps Money in the Island—Points to Great Prosperity.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The Cuban Government, through its Minister here, has made an answer to the charges that it is rapidly running into debt far beyond its resources and in violation of its own Constitution and of the Platt amendment.

Sedon Don Gonzalo de Quesada, the Cuban Minister, to-day made a statement concerning the propriety of Cuba, in which he said, among other things, that the Cuban Government has the most financial report on the condition of the Government, that the Cuban Government had no intention of contracting any obligations in violation of her customary observance of her own laws and her international obligations.

While the Minister makes no direct reference to it, his statement is evidently the result of published charges brought out by the passage of a bill by the Cuban Congress for a second payment of \$28,500,000 to the soldiers of the insurrection.

The situation in Cuba has been viewed with alarm by some members of the Cabinet here, and in the opinion of many high Government officials the time when this Government will be compelled to make pertinent suggestions to Cuba concerning her methods is not far distant. There are those who believe that, if the Cuban Government continues to run its affairs in the manner it is at present running, the nation's debt will be creeping up dangerously close to the \$100,000,000 mark within the next year.

In his statement to-day the Cuban Minister, after reviewing the present condition of Cuba showing its unprecedented prosperity, speaks of the necessity of paying the soldier's claims. He shows the surplus in the Cuban treasury on July 1 last was about \$2,000,000. He then says:

"Part of this will be devoted to public works and part to serve as a basis for the money to be applied to settle the balance due to the army. If this is not done, the nation's debt will be creeping up dangerously close to the \$100,000,000 mark within the next year."

With reference to the policy of his Government in dealing with the question the Minister says:

"The Government of Cuba, which has so far been very careful of contracting financial obligations, will do so with this matter in the same conservative and recommendable manner in which it has heretofore handled the questions which have arisen, and always inspired by the desire to refer to the country that has not received a great impetus, commercially or industrially, and the influx of tourists and investors during the last few years."

Speaking of the prosperity of the country Sedon Quesada says:

"The prosperity of Cuba is such that even the most optimistic are surprised at the results which are shown by the latest statistics. There is no section of the country that has not received a great impetus, commercially or industrially, and the influx of tourists and investors during the last few years."

PLUNGER RAILS TO-DAY.

Fitted With Eyebars So She May Be Brought Up If Disabled.

The submarine boat Plunger didn't leave the Brooklyn navy yard yesterday for Oyster Bay as announced. After the yard officers had looked her over yesterday morning they thought it advisable to touch up the motors a bit. She will leave at 1 o'clock this afternoon under convoy of the tug Apache. Lieut. Charles P. Nelson, the commander, said yesterday that she would proceed under her own steam, but that she would be towed through that turbulent channel.

If the water be smooth the Plunger will hustle for herself up to Oyster Bay. Concerning President Roosevelt, Lieut. Nelson said he did not think he would go beyond the date of the 21st of August, but that he would be in the city by the 22nd.

The Plunger has big eyebars fore and aft. In case she should become disabled while under way, hooks could be attached to them and she could be brought up in fifteen minutes. The placing of the eyebars on the craft is the outcome of the lesson taught by the recent submarine disaster at French boat to which chains might be attached.

MITCHELL IN A NEW FIELD.

Mine Workers' President Working to Build Up the Organization.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 20.—After two months spent making addresses and building up the organization in the upper anthracite coal fields, President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers will to-day remove his headquarters to the Hazleton region and begin an organization tour in the Hazleton and Schuylkill districts, where the union has lost many members. He is pleased with the results achieved in the Hazleton region and says:

"Many of the men tell me they will be as good union men as ever when the time comes to call a strike, and in this regard I believe the union has made a great success. It is necessary to keep up their union whether trouble is threatened or not. The men are coming back into the union in vast numbers and we feel hopeful that it will continue to grow in this region. A perfect organization means a lasting peace for the mine workers."

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REPORT ON DR. SALMON IS READY.

Will Be Submitted to Secretary Wilson To-day—Attorney-General to Pass On It.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The report of Solicitor George McCabe of the Department of Agriculture, who has just completed his investigation of the Bureau of Animal Industry, of which Dr. D. E. Salmon is chief, will be submitted to Secretary Wilson to-morrow. It will deal with the allegation that Dr. Salmon was a member of the Howard Printing Company, which has business relations with the Government, and which prints the labels attached to matter inspected by the bureau.

As far as can be learned Solicitor McCabe's report concerns only the facts in the case, making no recommendations, and future action will be taken by Secretary Wilson, if he deems any action necessary. The report, in its recital of Dr. Salmon's connection with the Howard Printing Company, will show that the chief of the bureau of animal industry was a member of that concern for several years; that during his period of membership the company was owned and controlled by Dr. Salmon; and that Dr. Salmon was a member of the company when it got its first contract for the printing of labels.

It is understood that enough is brought out in the McCabe report to make Dr. Salmon censurable for his part in the matter. The report was first made that a scientist of the bureau of animal industry, or had been identified with the Howard Printing Company.

When the matter was first brought to public notice Secretary Wilson is said to have summoned Dr. Salmon and directed him to ascertain if it were true that anyone on the rolls of the bureau was connected with the printing concern. Dr. Salmon made a verbal report that the charge was untrue, but he failed to refer to Secretary Wilson to the Department of Justice for investigation by that Department.

CHINA TO FIGHT EXCLUSION.

Planned to Demand Repayment of Expenses of These Deported.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The average loss to a Chinaman who has journeyed to the country from the Celestial Empire and has been shipped back by the immigration officials has been \$200, according to figures which have been furnished by such deported Chinese to Sir Chen Tung Liang Cheng, the Chinese Minister here. The Minister's collection of evidence concerning deported Chinese is rapidly growing and it is expected that he will submit a proposition within the next few months.

The Minister has instructed his consular agents throughout the country to report to him in detail all cases of deportation. The object is to contest the validity of the exclusion laws of the country at some future time and if the courts decide that the laws are unconstitutional, the Chinese claim to the American Government for the damages sustained by the deported Chinese.

CONGR NOT GOING TO CHINA.

Likely Soon to Retire—Will Not Mix in Iowa Political Situation.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—There is good authority for the statement that President Roosevelt has no intention of sending E. H. Conger, now United States Ambassador to Mexico, and formerly United States Minister to China, to work with the Chinese with a view of ending the boycott.

Mr. Conger will probably continue, for a time at least, as Ambassador to Mexico. It is still believed that he will soon retire to private life.

It is known that it is his desire to take a long rest, and that during his present leave of absence he will make a visit to his home in Des Moines. It can also be stated that Mr. Conger does not contemplate entering the political field in Iowa, and that he does not aspire to political office.

CLOSE SHAVE FOR A RUNAWAY.

The Mince Dilworth of Pittsburgh Upset and Carriage Driver Badly Bruised.

POINT PLEASANT DEPOT, N. H., Aug. 20.—The Mince Dilworth of Pittsburgh, who is stopping at the Leighton Hotel, were out driving near here this afternoon when their horses became frightened at an automobile and bolted. After a long run, during which collisions with trolley cars were twice narrowly averted, the runaways overturned the carriage in front of the Warwick Arms Hotel. The young women were thrown out, but escaped with some slight sprains and bruises. The driver, Christopher Brewer, held to the reins and was dragged for some distance before he finally succeeded in stopping the horses. He was badly bruised, but was able to care for his horses both of which had been out about the legs during the run.

DIED.

ABBOTT.—At Jersey City, on Aug. 19, Edward Abbott, only surviving son of the late Henry Abbott and Mary Ann Abbott of Auburn, N. Y.